

AMERICAN TROOPS PURSUING BANDITS ACROSS BORDER

Republican Senators Leave White House Unconverted

WILSON SEES QUICK WORK FOR TREATY

President Confident Senate Will Hasten Consideration of League as Result Of Meeting in the East Room, Say Friends.

LODGE MAKES CLEAR HIS DISSATISFACTION

Senator Hitchcock Interprets Unusual Affair as Favorable to Immediate Ratification of Covenant.

President Wilson today is eagerly watching for the first indication that consideration of the peace treaty will be hastened as a result of the three-hour-and-a-half conference yesterday at the White House when he explained the document and the circumstances surrounding its formulation to members of the Foreign Relations Committee.

Although no statement was forthcoming from the White House as to what the President believes will result from the conference, his friends yesterday said he feels confident the treaty situation has been greatly clarified.

Conflicting statements and predictions came from members of the committee as they trooped out of the White House. Said Senator Lodge, Republican leader and committee chairman:

"I was much disappointed in the information gained."

Senator Hitchcock, Democrat and chief advocate of the treaty, said:

"I think the committee action will move fast now."

Senator Moses, of New Hampshire, said:

"I went to the White House seeking information which I did not get in plentitude, to say the least."

The conference began at 10 a. m. All committee members arrived at the White House at least fifteen minutes before that hour. They were met at the big white doors and ushered immediately into the Blue Room opposite to the entrance. Then they went to the East Room, where the conference took place.

President Appeared Smiling.

President Wilson appeared smiling as the Senators took their chairs. There was a rustle when a corps of stenographers pushed into the room and took their places at a small table.

In another room, nearly 100 newspaper men waited for the conference to begin. Secretary Tumulty waited with them.

Arrangements were made to give the newspaper men stenographic copies of the conference discussion as fast as they could be prepared.

Meanwhile, President Wilson faced the Senators and prepared to read a statement. He began promptly at 10 a. m.

One minute later newspaper men began reading the statement throughout the country on special wires. In some cities newspapers "went extra" with the opening paragraphs of the statement. In New York correspondents of foreign newspapers picked it up and flashed it by cable to London and Paris.

To President read in a low even voice. His statement dealt with practically all objections to the treaty and the league of nations covenant already raised. He read for a half hour. Then he called for questions. They came slowly but insistently. To only one did the President decline a reply.

Shantung Discussed.

The Shantung question came in for long discussion. Senator Johnson, Cal., taking a leading part in the questioning of the President. The agreement given by the Japanese was again gone into by the President. He declared unqualifiedly that he had every confidence Japan would live up to the agreement.

"Mr. President," said Senator Knox, "the economic privileges that they originally acquired in Korea, and subsequently in inner and outer Manchuria, have almost completely developed into complete sovereignty over those countries, have they not?"

"Yes, Senator, in the absence of a league of nations, they have," replied the President.

"You think the league of nations would have prevented that, do you?"

"I am confident it would."

Senator New suggested that England had occupied Malta, something like a century under a promise similar to the one given to the

NEW KENTUCKY M. C. LOOKS THE THOROUGHbred HE IS



Introducing King Swope, of Kentucky, the first great war soldier to be elected to Congress. There are two or three other members of Congress who served in the war, but they gained their seats by reelection. King Swope took his seat yesterday, and great was the joy of the Republicans. Swope, who is a Republican, carried one of the strongest Democratic districts in the Blue Grass State. He takes the seat made vacant by the death of Representative Helm. Swope, who is only 26 years old, is said to be as smart as he is handsome. But, girls, he's married.

GIRL'S GHOST TOLD FRIEND OF MURDER, SAYS FATHER

Cornell Student Is Freed of Killing Charge as Father of Dead Girl Continues Search for Daughter's Body.

Casenvia, N. Y., Aug. 19.—Donald W. Fether, Cornell sophomore charged with having murdered 18-year-old Hazel Crance, was freed tonight by Supreme Court Justice Kiley. Fether started back to Ithaca immediately afterward by auto.

Judge Kiley held that the evidence was insufficient to warrant the commitment of Fether to await the action of the grand jury.

Following his release, young Fether said:

"My mother is waiting for me at Ithaca. I knew I would be vindicated. I am not a quitter. I shall stay in Ithaca for several weeks just to show that I fear neither sentiment nor threats of violence."

Attorney John D. Collins, retained by District Attorney Adams as special counsel for the prosecution, announced tonight that despite Fether's release under the charge of murder, the student cannot go away. Fether is out on bail and awaiting examination on the charge of having liquor in his possession on the night of the tragedy, Collins said.

Fether was exonerated by Supreme Court Justice Kiley in his review of the case today at the hearing on the writ of habeas corpus to obtain Fether's release.

"Although from what I know of the case," said Justice Kiley, "this young man deserved some days in jail, the evidence of the trousers found in the

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Napoleon's Sword Stolen From Hun Military School

Berlin, Aug. 19.—The sword of Napoleon I, surrendered to Marshal Blucher, more than 100 years ago and by him presented to the cadet corps of the German army, has been stolen from the military academy at Gross-Lichterfelde, near Berlin, where it was kept as a treasure. The police are looking for the thief.

SOME OF PRESIDENT WILSON'S ARGUMENTS IN BEHALF OF TREATY

Article X seems to me to constitute the very backbone of the whole covenant. Without it the league would be hardly more than an influential debating society. Problems in readjustment of our national life cannot be postponed without manifest peril to our people and to all the national advantages we hold most dear.

Our full, normal, profitable production waits on peace. Our military plans wait upon it.

There can be no stabilization of wages because there can be no settled conditions of employment.

Every suggestion of the United States after President's conference with Senators was accepted at Paris.

There is nothing vague in the treaty's reference to the Monroe Doctrine.

NEGRO SUSPECT NOT IDENTIFIED BY MISS PETER

Girl Asks Man Be Held Until She Is Able to Command Nerves.

NEGRO CANNOT EXPLAIN

Questioned as to Movements Sunday, Cummings Can't Remember.

Maryland and District authorities are convinced that the arrest yesterday of George Cummings, colored, at 813 Twenty-sixth street northwest, has ended the man hunt for the slayer of George Peters and the assailant of his daughter, Katherine Peters, at Bowie, Md., Sunday morning.

When arrested by Detective Sergeant Scrivener, Kelly and Sweeney, the man made no attempt to resist, but promptly denied all knowledge of the crime, stating that he was not in the vicinity of Bowie on Sunday and that he did not know Peters.

Later when questioned by the officers, Cummings said that about a year ago he purchased quantity of cider from Peter, but had not seen him since. The negro was formerly employed as a track walker near the scene of the crime and later as a roustabout in a circus.

Shortly after his arrest he was taken to Emergency Hospital before Miss Peters, who told the police that he did not appear to be her assailant. She asked the officers to hold the man, however until she is sufficiently in command of her nerves so that she can positively say whether or not he is the man who shot her.

Detective Sergeant Tom Sweeney said that when arrested the man declared that he was ignorant of the crime except from bits of gossip picked up from negroes who live in his neighborhood. The man is unable to read or write and declares that his knowledge of the murder and assault Sunday was given him verbally by friends.

His wife, Norvel Cummings, was arrested and held until the police have had time to run down the story of the suspect.

One phase of the case that leads the authorities to believe that Cummings is the man guilty of the crime is the fact that when arrested he was in possession of a new cap and when asked where he got it seem confused.

Residents all through Prince Georges County are eagerly waiting the outcome of the investigation here and should it be definitely established that Cummings is the man who murdered Peters and assaulted his daughter, an attempt will probably be made to get him.

Physicians at Emergency Hospital last night said that Miss Peter has shown remarkable vitality and that unless complications set in will recover. Even during the time that the negro was in her room at the hospital the girl did not show the slightest sign of nervousness.

GHOULS ROB GRAVE; GET DIAMOND RINGS

Chicago, Aug. 19.—When Mrs. Ottila Gunderberg visited St. Boniface Cemetery three weeks ago, bearing flowers to place upon the last resting place of her daughter Clare, she saw evidence that someone had been tampering with the grave.

Soil had been removed and there were signs of upturned earth. She told the cemetery authorities, who found, upon investigation, that ghouls had dug down to the spot where the body had lain for eight years.

A portion of the coffin lid had been chiseled off and two valuable diamond rings—one of them an engagement token—had been stolen. The smallest of the three rings buried with the body remained. The two rings taken were valued at \$1,500.

Miss Gunderberg died on the eve of her wedding day eight years ago. She was laid by the side of her father, August Gunderberg, policeman for the old Lake street station, who died two weeks before.

Ex-Kaiser's Cousin Caught With Vast Food Stores

Prince Friedrich Leopold, a cousin of the former Kaiser, has been found to have hoarded great stocks of food while all the people in the neighborhood of his residence are starving. The authorities, after discovery of the hoard, ordered its confiscation. A hundredweight of fuel also was seized at Prince Leopold's home.

Would Bar Colored Men From Labor Congress

Asheville, N. C., Aug. 19.—When the Southern Labor Congress meets here tomorrow for its annual session the negro problem will be one of the main issues. From an authoritative source it is learned that the proposition to admit colored delegates will be bitterly fought.

WHERE U. S. TROOPS CROSSED LINE



American troops have crossed the line near Candelaria. The bandits who captured Lieutenants Davis and Peterson had their rendezvous near Candelaria. Gen. Dickman is in command of the troops. He was an army commander in France.

PRESS-TIME FLASHES

Aberdeen, Md., Aug. 19.—Two persons were killed and many others injured by a shell explosion at the government proving grounds here this afternoon.

London, Aug. 19.—No further confirmation has been received tonight of the report that Maxim Gorky has been shot by order of a Lettish Red leader. The news was first printed in Berlin.

New York, Aug. 19.—Carlos V. Clark, Chilean minister to Washington, and Gustave de Laigrie, French minister to Panama, were among passengers arriving here today on the steamship Carrillo from Christobal. He is on his way to Washington today.

Milwaukee, Wis., Aug. 19.—Following a pitched battle between strikers at the Cudahy packing plant, ten miles south of here, and forty deputy sheriffs, Governor Philipp tonight ordered three companies of State militia at Camp Douglas to entrain and proceed to the plant.

Point Lookout, Md., Aug. 19.—Bodies of John B. Keys, 30 years old; Mrs. John Reeves, of Chaptico, and a 14-year-old boy named Keys, caught in the undertow and drowned, were washed ashore late this afternoon.

W. B. & A. TO BEGIN STATION AT ONCE

Work is expected to begin shortly on the new W. B. & A. terminal, which will extend from Eleventh street to Twelfth street on New York avenue. Many tenants of this block have already moved, and Thomas W. Littlepage, representing the traction company, has notified the remaining ones to evacuate the premises this week.

\$3,000 IN LIBERTY BONDS SEEK OWNER

Three \$1,000 liberty bonds were found Saturday afternoon in the Sewerage Pumpage Station, at the foot of New Jersey avenue, by Edward Kelly, an employee of the District.

Kelly brought the bonds to the District Building yesterday, where they are waiting identification in the office of the property clerk.

Hoover Sees Polish Crop.

London, Aug. 19.—Herbert Hoover, of the American Relief Administration, left Warsaw Friday, for Lemburg and Pinsk, according to a Warsaw dispatch to the Times today. Hoover will investigate the condition of the harvest, said to be 6 per cent below normal.

Follow Hot Trail As Ransom Frees 2 U. S. Air Pilots

War Department Officially Announces Pursuit of Mexicans Who Threatened Captured Officers with Death—Units of the Eighth Cavalry in Chase Near Candelaria, Where Rescue Was Effected—Army Air Force Inadequate for Intervention.

American troops are in Mexico in pursuit of the bandits who captured and released, on payment of \$7,500 ransom, Lieuts. Davis and Peterson, of the United States Army Air Service.

Official announcement that units of the Eighth Cavalry had crossed the Rio Grande near Candelaria, under orders from the War Department, was made late yesterday. The bandits' rendezvous, where they held the American army officers, is near Candelaria.

The War Department also officially announced the release of the two lieutenants.

"Hot Trail" Justified.

The pursuit of the outlaws into Mexican territory was justified at the War and State departments on the traditional right of one country to enter another when following criminals on a "hot trail." The fact that the bandits were shrewdly brought back to the border yesterday with the prisoners makes an old trail a very hot one, and it now remains to be seen whether the entrance into Mexico by United States forces was communicated in any official way to the Mexican government.

There is no information here as to what attitude Carranza will assume when he learns that the cavalry troops have crossed the border. The question of the "hot trail" was discussed at great length following the Columbus raid by Mr. Arredondo, Carranza's ambassador here, and Frank L. Polk, then counsellor.

LET U. S. DEAD REST IN FRANCE—PERSHING

"We should leave our dead near where they fell," is the mature judgment expressed by Gen. Pershing in a cable to the War Department yesterday on the question of bringing the American dead home from France.

Letters received by the War Department in answer to queries addressed to the nearest of kin are three to one in favor bringing the bodies home.

"Have given the entire question of our dead men thought and my opinion is that we should leave our dead near where they fell, said Pershing's cable. "Am sure that this course would be fully appreciated by the allies and that our government will be given every facility for beautifying and caring for the cemeteries already established on the fields won by our heroic dead."

"Believe that could these soldiers speak for themselves they would wish to be left undisturbed."

D'ANNUNZIO TO FLY 10,000 MILES TO TOKIO

Milan, Italy, Aug. 19.—Gabriele d'Annunzio, Italy's famous poet-aviator, plans to leave Rome early in October as the leader of a squadron of five airplanes on a 10,000-mile flight, his ultimate destination to be Tokio. He hopes to cover the route in twelve flying days, touching Saloniki, Aleppo, Bagdad, Delhi, Agra, Benares, Rangoon, Bangkok, Hanoi, Canton, Kiao Chow, Peking and Osaka.

Two machines of the squadron will carry three pilots, the others two. All will be equipped with parachutes and other safety and rescue devices.

"Der Tag" Cost Hunts Over 300 War Craft

Berlin, Aug. 19.—Naval losses suffered by Germany during the war were enumerated by Die Flotte today as including one battleship, seven large and seventeen small cruisers, 111 destroyers and torpedo boats and 178 submarines sunk in battle. It is stated that seven gunboats and submarines were blown up by the Germans themselves.

Other losses included six river gunboats, twenty-eight mine sweepers, nine auxiliary cruisers, 199 fishing boats and twenty-two smaller craft. The casualties on the sea were estimated at 17,500 men and 916 officers.

Shell Explosion Kills Two.

Baltimore, Aug. 19.—Two men were instantly killed and four were injured at the Aberdeen (Maryland) Proving Grounds today by an explosion of a box of sensitive testing shells. Much damage was done to other property on the proving grounds.

LIFEGUARDS OUT AT TIDAL BASIN

Men Go on Strike When Accused of Familiarity With Women.

Claiming unjust treatment from Director W. A. Apple, the force of lifeguards at the Tidal Bathing Beach, with the exception of Assistant Director Leroy Corbin, walked out yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

The strikers are M. J. Gemain, Dabney Truett, C. A. Maitland, Joyce Levy and C. M. Daniels.

Superintendent L. Gordon Leech declared last night that their places have been filled by men who have been substituting for the regular guards.

Recent Reprimands.

Grievances against Apple, Superintendent Leech said, were brought about through the director's reprimands to the life-guards for paying undue attention to women bathers.

This allegation was denied last night by the strikers.

"We walked out because Apple persistently made working conditions disagreeable without reason," was the statement of the guards.

Superintendent Leech declared that the new guards are capable of handling the situation for the present and that more experienced help is being obtained.

No compromise will be made with the men, Superintendent Leech said last night.

Found Beach Deserted.

He stated the first intimation of the strike he received was when he returned yesterday afternoon from the Juvenile Court and found the entire corps of guards gone. Later several of them returned for a swim, Leech said, and he then heard for the first time the real cause for their departure.

JOHNSON WILL URGE DRASTIC RENT BILL

While the Senate subcommittee investigating the high cost of living in the District has agreed not to take up the rent situation until Monday, Representative Ben Johnson intends to give rent profiteers no respite and is expected to introduce in Congress today a drastic anti-rent profiteering bill.

Representative Johnson, who was the first Congressman to take up the cudgel for Washington tenants, introduced a similar bill last session but it was sidetracked for the Pomerene bill. A rent administrator, to be appointed by the President, is provided for in the Johnson bill.